

6.0 Community-Wide Circulation Element

This element of the Ramona Road Master Plan provides community-wide circulation goals, as well as planning and policy recommendations for linking the Ramona Road Master Plan process to the County's General Plan 2020 Update.

Goals

- 1) Preserve and enhance roadway connections for regional and commuter travel between Ramona and communities in the San Diego region.
- 2) Preserve and enhance connections for travel across the greater Ramona area in a manner compatible with local growth and development.
- 3) Provide input to the General Plan 2020 Update planning process to ensure the implementation of a circulation system that meets the travel needs of Ramona now and in the future.

Policies/Programs

- 1) *Identify community priorities and preferences for key regional improvements from the County Circulation Element.*

The County's General Plan 2020 Update is primarily tasked with the identification of key improvements to the Community of Ramona transportation network as defined in the County's Circulation Element. The planning process undertaken to complete the Ramona Road Master Plan has identified as a number of transportation issues and deficiencies that should be carried forward into the General Plan 2020

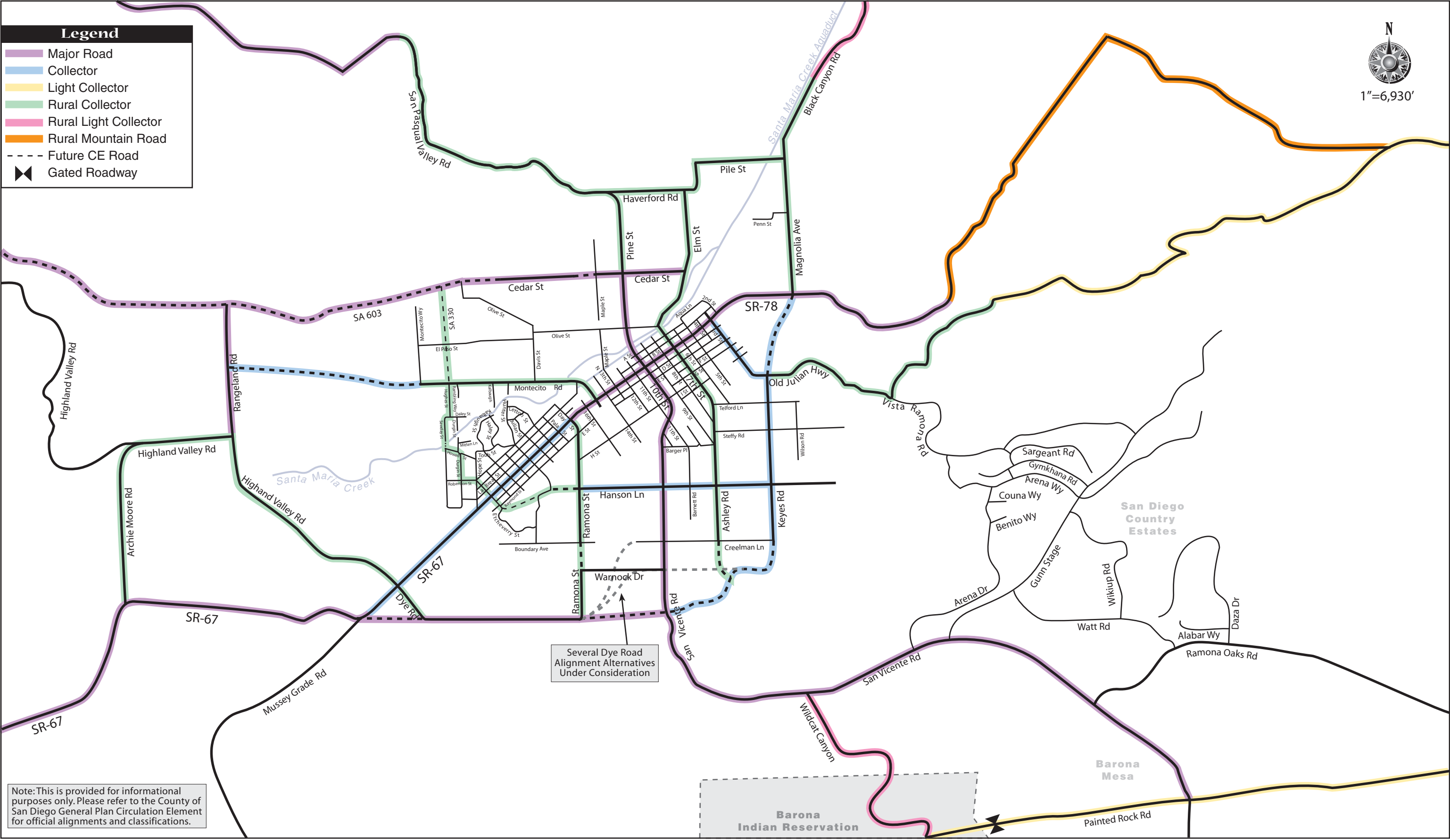
Update efforts. The Ramona Road Master Plan should be utilized as a stepping-stone by County staff, the Ramona Community Planning Group, and the County's General Plan 2020 Update transportation consultants, for the identification of priority community-wide roadway improvements.

Figure 6-1 displays the current County of San Diego General Plan Circulation Element. The Circulation Element includes future roadway connections that will alleviate traffic volumes on Main Street by providing alternate routes across Ramona without utilizing Main Street. There are several routes providing "northern" Main Street bypasses and primarily one route providing a "southern" Main Street bypass.

The southern bypass – which would connect SR-67 at the southern end of Ramona to Dye Street, through to San Vicente Road, Keyes Road, and north to SR-78 – is a County priority for construction. The County Department of Public Works is currently working on preliminary engineering for the portion of the southern bypass between SR-67 and San Vicente Road.

The northern bypass – which would connect Highland Valley Road (at a location northwest of the Ramona Airport) to Cedar Street through to SR-78 – is not as far along in the planning process as the southern bypass. A proposed alignment has not been selected, and some routes such as SA-603 have been proposed for deletion from the County's Circulation Element.





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Figure 6-1
Adopted Circulation Element Roadway Network
Community of Ramona

The Ramona Road Master Plan also recommends that all State Routes be consistently identified in the County of San Diego Circulation Element as 4-Lane Major Arterials.

In addition, the Ramona Road Master Plan process recommends that Vista Ramona Road, between Old Julian Highway and Gymkhana Road be considered during the General Plan 2020 Update process for inclusion in the County's Circulation Element. The Plan also recommends that Painted Rock Road, near the Barona Indian Reservation, be either realigned or deleted from the County's Circulation Element based upon input from the Barona Indian Reservation.

In addition to the local roadway improvements shown in Figure 4-1, the Ramona Road Master Plan also recommends the extension of San Vicente Road to Barona Mesa as a

priority improvement to the regional circulation system in the Community of Ramona. The Ramona Community Planning Group may wish to submit a letter requesting that the County consider this improvement during their Capital Improvements Program (CIP) update.

The County of San Diego Department of Planning and Land Use will consider formal recommendations for Circulation Element changes that are submitted by the Ramona Community Planning Group. If the Ramona Community Planning Group concurs with the above recommendations, it should submit a formal request to the County's Department of Planning and Land Use. ❖

